February 22, 1949 Boca Chica Naval Air Station, Key West, Fla.

Two glowing objects were seen above the Naval Air station, flying at great height. One plane was sent up to investigate put was hopelessly outdistanced. Radarmen tracked the objects as they hovered for a moment above Key West. They were found to be at least fifty miles above Key West. After a few seconds they accelerated at high speed and streaken off.

February 28, 1949

Ben Cole, Jr., Northbrook Illinois, saw a flaming object hurtle out of the east at 6:11 a.m. and disintegrate in a fiery shower south of Chicago. At the same time, 40 miles away Ed Maher of Chicago saw a rocket half a block long speeding from east to south. The front was shaped like a rocked, the tail seemed to fall to pieces as it dived into a large cloud. It was noiseless.

March 25, 1949

Residents of Bend, Oregon saw two flying saucers reflecting the rays of the sun as they dipped through the clouds. Traffic was soon blocked by observers. World War II flyer Vernon Leverett estimated their height at over 10,000 feet and their size about that of a large washtub.

April 14, 1949: Clifford Cline, Branch County, Mich farmer saw a disk-shaped object with an orange center and light outer edge.

April 28, 1949

Leon Faber of Sandwich, Ill., saw a bright shining object moving east while he was flying at an elevation of 6000 feet over the Gary-Michigan City, Ind., area. Seemed to be 10,000 feet away about the size of a basketball and suddenly disappeared without getting any smaller.

May 7, 1949 Benjamin F Smith of Oakland California saw two rows of square objects flying in the regular airliner levels traveling from north to south moving soundlessly at tremendous speed.

April, 1949 White Sands Proving Ground

Scientists (reported Commander Robert B McLaughlin USN) were tracking a weather balloon 57 miles northwest of the grounds. A strange object crossed above the balloon and was tracked with a theodolite. It was saucer-shaped, 105 feet in diameter and flying 56 miles above the earth at around 5 miles per second. Suddenly it swerved, shooting upward at an angle of five degrees, climbing an additional 25 miles in almost 10 seconds. No exhaust trail, no lights, no sound.

April 27, 1949 Report of Air Materiel Command at Wright Field "Project Saucer"

August, 1947 - Two pilots for a Bethel, Ala., flying service told investigators they spotted a huge black object bigger than a C-54 silhouetted against the brilliant evening sky. In order to avoid collision they said they pulled up to 1200 feet and watched the object cross their path at right angles. The two pilots told of swinging in behind the object and following it at 170 mph until it outdistanced them and disappeared four minutes later. It was described as having no motors, wings or visible means of propulsion, being smooth-surfaced and streamlined.

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May, 1949 White Sands Proving Grounds

Commander Robert B McLaughlin USN reports that an object, white in color, proceeding slowly westward was sighted. It picked up speed passed overhead and disappeared over the Organ Mountains When first sighted the object had been going at about 1 mile per second., at a height of 25 miles, but when it accelerated, it did so at a rate far beyond the capabilities of any present-day rocket. Passing within 5 degrees of the sun, it remained visible, showing no visible method of propulsion.

A 172

June 17, 1949 Battle Creek , Michigan

Photo of a triangular object snapped by Lloyd Sanders, Rt L, Box344 When sighted object was going up at a tremendous rate of speed and glowed like the sun. There was a high pitched whining sound.

June 18, 1949 Kent, England

Two farmers reported they saw tailess blobs of light spinning across the heavens.

February 1, 1950 St John's, Newfoundland

Pat Walsh, telephone company electrician and navy veteran, reported seeing a tear-shaped object bright as a flourescent light for twelve seconds before it headed out to sea in arch-like flight at incredible speed.

June 1949 Union City, Michigan

Clifford N. Kline, R.D. #2, Union City Michigan was just leaving his barn (according to John Bessor) on a clear evening at 20 minutes to eight p.m. when, approximately 200 feet away, nearly 6 feet off the ground, an OVAL object about 3' X 4' sped from northeast to southwest in a perfectly straight line with no noise and disappeared behind a fence row of shrubbery nearly a quarter of a mile away. The Object was reddish-brown and fringed with white. Bessor says correlate color "reddish-brown" with the procession of hat-crown-shaped objects observed soaring over Skeninge Sweden, May 1818, which were described as BROWN and caused the sun to turn BRICK-RED.

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August 29, 1949 Los Angeles TTimes

Marvin Miles, Times reporter, tells of flying objects seen by the personnel of White Sands Proving Ground. They were spotted by two senior officers and an enlisted man during a high-missile flight. With instruments at hand one officer found the craft to be 35 to 40 miles high, egg-shaped, of fantastic size, and traveling at from 3 to 4 miles per second. The object took turns up to 22 times the force of gravity before it disappeared. It had no visible means of propulsion. This was Aug. 26. On June 14 the enlisted man saw an object at 3:35 p.m. while tracking a V-2 test rocket with a 20 power elevation telescope, an instrument that can follow a missile to altitudes of 100 miles. It was metallic, but neither size nor speed could be estimated.

A 141

July 9, 1949 -- Alexandria Va.

C S Dupree saw a light reflected on the sidewalk, looked up and saw a saucer-shaped object traveling very fast. It was not bright, but quite visible. Other sightings in the same vicinity occured.

July 10, 1949

Mr and Mrs George C Wunsch of Tacony Pa., and Mr and Mrs Barry McGuigan of West Philadwlphia, Pa., saw nine strange disks with a dull illumination visible beneath the evening's cloud cover. They moved faster than an airliner, but were clearly visible.

July 24, 1949 Los Angeles Herald Express

HUGE MYSTERY PLANE OVER U.S.

Two Eastern Airline pilots Capt. C.S. Childs and Co-pilot J. B. Whitted said they met a wingless two-deck plane early today Southwest of Montgomery, Alabama. They said the strange ship with a blue glow underneath the fuselage and shooting red flames passed the E.A.L. ship at 5000 feet headed toward New Orleans.

A 143

July 24, 1949

A Boise, Idaho aviator saw sever V-shaped objects flying within 1500 or 200 feet of his plane. The objects, about the size of Fighter planes, flying in a tight but unfamiliar formation, were flying at a tremendous rate of speed. They were in the shape of a V with a solid circular body under the nose of the V. There was no evidence of any means of propulsion. They were observed for about two minutes.

A 143

July 26, 1949

Dr H G Laubach, Mitchell, Nebraska, saw a saucer flying on a southwesterly course at 3:10 p.m., resembling an upside-down saucer whirling as it moved through the sky, occasionally tipping sideways and flew at an altitude of between 5000 and 7000 feet. It was estimated to be about 25 feet in diameter and traveling about 25 ground miles in 3 minutes

August 15,1949: Edgar Thompson of Deer Lodge, Montana saw a bright silver diskpshaped object heading toward Butte at terrific speed. Made no noise, traveled in straight line.

A 145

November 7, 1949

Delmar Remick anf Merwin Legg of Osborne Kansas, saw a flying saucer in the air a mile up and moving northwest rapidly taking six or seven seconds to get out of sight. It moved with a little flip every half second.

March 27, 1950

C W Hughes, 1338 N. Boston Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma, sighted twenty-five flying saucefs at 6:16 a.m. Silver, cp;pred and flying at an elevation of 1000 feet.

21 January 1950 The New York Times

BOSTON PITCHES FOR MORE INVESTIGATION

BOSTON, Mass., --The Aero Club of New England, a 49 year-old organization dating back to the ballooning days, has asked the Air Force to reopen its investigation into "flying saucers" and other unknown aircraft. A letter to Thomas K. Finletter, Air Force Secretary, made public today, termed discontinuance of the "saucer" investigation "premature and regrettable."

February 1956   Fate Magazine

A few months before Navy spokesman Doctor Liddell issued his report that flying saucers were all balloons, Naval Aviation News the official Navy magazine reported the sighting of two mysterious smoke-trailing objects by an American warship off Korea. The incident occurred in December of 49 and personnel aboard the seaplane tender Gardiners Bay reported that the two objects struck the water at tremendous speed off theship's port bow while it was steaming up the channel from Inchon.

Under the title "Sighting Flying Discs Again?" the Navy magazine reported: "Two huge columns rose to about 100 feet in height at the point of contact. No aircraft could be sighted by radar or visually overhead although the ceiling was unlimited. Identification remains a great mystery."

February 1950: Air Force Magazine
CALLING HERR GENERAL FREUD.
~~PSYCHOLOANALYZING THE FLYING SAUCERS~~

"It is concluded," the most recent official Air Force report states, "that there are sufficient psychological explanations for the reports of unidentified flying objects to provide plausible explanations not otherwise explainable. These errors in identifying real stimuli result chiefly from inability to estimate speed, distance and size.

A 132

February 23, 1950 Santiago, Chilie
Commander Augusto Vars Orrego, head of the Chilean Antartic Base of Arthur Prat, saw, on several ocxasions during the Anartic night, glying saucers, one above the other, turning at tremendous speeds. Photographs were taken.

March 25, 1950

HITLER STILL FLYING AROUND IN ONE?

Rome, March 25--Prof. Giuseppe Belluzzo, 73 year old Italian turbine engineer, said today that designs for flying saucers were prepared for Hitler and Mussolini in 1942. Belluzzo said: "It has passed my mind that some great power is experimenting with flying disks--without explosives or atomic bombs. There is nothing supernatural or Martian about flying disks. It's just the most rational use of recently-evolved techniques." Belluzzo personally drafted plans for a "flying disk" 32 feet in diameter but claimed they disappeared with Benito Mussolini when he fled to northern Italy in 1943.

A 132

March 2, 1950 Mexico City

Luis Enrique Erro, head of the Tonantzintla Observatory near Puebla, says an exception object flew through space and crossed the field of his Schmidt telescope. Luis Munch, fellow astronomer, who was operating the camera of the telescope photographed the object, which showed as a broad white streak diagonally across a jet black field. The craft appeared to be about the diameter of the moon and at least as bright

March 10, 1950 Edmonton, Alberta

F Arnold Richards, civic employee, saw objects with a whitish-bluish flame shooting out of the wide end. Three appeared in all.

March 11, 1950 Juarez, Mexico

Robert Antorena, Amilcar Lopez Sousa and Manuel Espejo, customs and border official, saw a top-like disk traveling high in the sky and headed toward El Paso.

March 11, 1950 Juarez, Mexico

Luis Herrara, travel agency owner saw a strange disk-shaped object over the city for fifteen minutes. At the same time John E, Baird of El Paso saw an object shaped like a globe near Deming, New Mexico.

A 133

March 13, 1950 Mexico City, D F

Santiago Smith, chief weather observer for the Mexico City airport, train a telescope on an object shaped like a half-moon, one of four flying bodies crossing the airport at 35,000 to 40,000 feet.

March 13, 1950 Monterey, Mexico

Francisco Martinez Soto, government airport inspector, saw an object moving in a straight line and changing its altitude by one and one-half degrees in three minutes.

March 16, Delhi, Ontario (1950)

Paul Rapai, Mr and Mrs Andrew Hertel and Steve Fodor saw flying saucer at 4 a.m. moving in jerks as if controlled, faster than a jet, seemed bigger and duller when moving, smaller and brighter when still. Swished from side to side and hovered up and down - then suddenly rose sharply and disappeared.

March 16, 1950 Miraflores, Peru

Julian Guardiol, Swiss engineer saw disk flying from south giving off red and yellow glow. It stopped directly above them at about 4,5000 feet altitude and remained for five minutes, then flew northward at tremendous speed.

A 133

March 16, 1950: San Jose Purua, Mexico

Dr. W C Behen (of Lansing Michigan) made both photographs and movies of a double trundated cone, silver in coler and eight or nine thousand feet in the air. Object disappeared from time to time , but would reappear to hover over one area for several minutes.

March 18, 1950 Altoona, Pa. U.P.

Dr. Craig Hunter, 47, of Berkeley Springs, W Va., made a rough skectch of a flying saucer he saw at dusk Wednesday in the hope that it might help clear up the mysterious phenomenom.

"The object appeared to be about 50 to 150 feet in diameter and was about 25 to 30 feet thick at the center, trailing a streamer 200 feet long and 10 inches wide. Disc seemed to be constructed in three concentric portions. Outer edge which was 10 feet wide appeared to be stationary and had slits covering about one third of the area visible to me. Immeidately in from the leading edge there were two apertures about 4½feet sq. The second circle seemed to be the only part of the thing moving and

it rotated with a great hissing whistle. Inner and largest part of the disc was also stationary. It was dirty metallic in color and definitely not an airplane.

March 23, 1950   Laguna Beach, Calif.   U P

8 FLYING SAUCERS REPORTED IN WEST

Flying saucers have been spotted again, this time along the California coast by Dudley Pourley, [illegible]6, an Army aircraft observer for nearly three years.

He said he saw eight saucers moving slowly out to sea as he drove past El Moro on the coast highway.

"I saw eight things of an elliptical shape about 100 feet in diameter at 2000 feet. I counted them three more times. They were moving slowly out to sea.

March 27, 1950   Washington D C   U.P.

FLYING SAUCER NEAR PENTAGON

A flying saucer has been reported almost in the backyard of the Air Force, the service that says the mysterious disks don't exist. Betram A Totten, a veteran private pilot sied he sighted an aluminum-colored disd about [illegible]0 feet in diameter and 10 feet thick Sunday while he was flying over Fairfax county Virginia on the outskirts of Washington.

A 148

March 31, 1950 Capt. Jack Adams and co-pilot G W Anderson, Jr. veterans of 7000 and 6000 flying hours for the Chicago and Southern Air Lines, en route in their DC-3 from Memphis to Little Rock were within 40 miles of Little Rock at 2000 feet when they saw a lighted fast moving abject about 1000 feet above the DC-3 and half a mile away moving at terrific speed (700 to 1000 mph). No reflection, exhaust, or vapor trail. traveled in an arc, flashing a strong blue-white light.

A 134

March 24, 1950 Jalapa, Mexico EL UNIVERSAL

300 flying disks were reported flying above the city. They began to disappear about sundown.

June 7, 1950 London, England

An RAF pilot radioed his base: "Strange object seen. Looks like a flying saucer." Radar operators at the base picked up a strong "blip" on their screens. The air ministry witheld all information.

A pril 7, 1950?

FRANCE SIGHTS SAUCERS

Flying saucers were reported to have been seen in two localites of France.

Residents of Grenoble reported a metallic object which appeared to remain stationary high in the sky.

Inhabitants of Chambery reported a saucer like object whixh left a stream of vaper.

April 19, 1950 St Paul's Dispatch Minnesota

AIRMAN SEES BANANAS WITH SAUCERS

Fort Worth A . P .

Ira Maxey, a veteran of 3600 flying hours in the U S Air Force said he saw six flying "bananas" plus a flying saucer. They were moving slowly and appeared to be six or seven miles away." He described the six objects has without tails or noses, not like a saucer, but more like a banana. The pictures that Maxey took showed that they left vapor trails.

April 27, 1950

Capt. Robert Adickes and First Officer Robert Manning,TWA pilots saw a round glowing mass in the air as they flew over South Bemd Indiana/ The object was is sight for six or seven minutes as it overtook their plane at 2000 feet. It was round with no irregular features and about one tenth as thick as it was round

April 30, 1950

Louis and Wilfred Wedemyer of Mount Joy, Iowa saw a round, flat saucer-shaped object spinning across the sky. Suddenly it exploded in the air like a fireworks display. It just seemed to disintegrate. No noise for s few seconds, then a low rumble that lasted half a minute. Same phenomenum was observed in Burlington, Iowa and Muscatine.

BAY AREA AVIATION NEWS, APRIL 30, 1950.

A high ranking U.S. Air Forse Reserve Officer told in detail today his encounter with a flight of more than a dozen "flying saucdrs".

Colonel Frank A. Flynn, told the Call Bulletin he is convinced that the objects he saw neer Mt. Diablo while flying his own plane from San Francisco to Sacramento in April, 1948, were controlled, experimental American aircraft.

Colonel Flynn says," I could see no signs of any motive power, it must have been something completely new."

May 24, 1950

Mrs. Clyde Seevers , one of sixteen Montrose, Coloradoo ranchers who saw two sky objects as broad as a large airplane's wings said the craft were absolutely round and smooth without windows motors or tail assembly. They flew soundlessly and seemed to float along, suddenly soared up swiftly and disappeared. Her report was corroborated by fifteen other ranchers in the vicinity.

June 22, 1950

COULD BE GOOD HUMOR MAN IN CYLONE OF COURSE

Three Air Force men saw a flying "ice cream cone" streak across the sky at Hamilton Field three times. The log of Hamilton Field control tower lists it as an unknown object traveling at about 1000 to 1500 miles and hour between 2000 and 5000 feet.

June 26, 1950

MAINLINERS GET A PACE-SETTER

Capt. E.L.Remlin, First Officer David Stewart and Observer Sam B Wiper observed a mysterious object while flying their UAL Mainliner at 14,000 feet between Las Vegas and Silver Lake, about eight miles north of Baker, N.M. The craft had a bluish center with a bright orange tint and was flying horizontally at about 20,000 feet, flying faster then the plane and about 20 miles away.

Copy of Letter to the Editor The Citizen, Sept 18, 1949
J.P.Bessor

Editor of The Citizen:

As a psychical researcher and student of the mysterious, I contend that the scientists who seek to "explain away" the apparition seen in the past on Chimney Rock, should join the circus where they would be paid for their ability as contortionists. "Mirages" they say, and I answer "poppycock."

The Indians spoke of "the little people" who ruled Chimney Rock and years later, at 6 p.m. July 31, 1806, white settlers saw for themselves "a very numerous crowd of beings, resembling the human species. . . of every size, from the tallest men down to the least infants; there were more of the small than of the full grown; they were all clad with brilliant white raiment; they appeared to rise off the side of the mountain south of Chimney Rock, and about as high; a considerable part of the mountain's top was visible above this shining host; they moved in a northern direction, and collected about Chimney Rock. When all but a few had reached the rock, two seemed to rise together; and behind them, about 2 feet, a third rose. These three moved with great haste toward the crowd. . . Others followed, rising and moving swiftly in the same order and direction." This appearance lasted until dark and was viewed by many at a distance of about two miles. This account just given is from an early 19th century book "the Wonders of Nature and Providence."

Another source states that on Aug 7, 1808, two years later, Rev. George Newton, and others, saw white beings rising off the side of the mountain for nearly one hour. A rainbow was seen but there was no cloud or rain to cause it. A thick haze was noted. In 1811, "two troops of cavalry" were seen to wage battle upon Chimney Rock.

Akin to the Chimney Rock apparitions is the "ghost army" seen near Lewisburg, Greenbrier, County, Va., on Oct. 1, 1863, about 3 p.m. "Apparently thousands" of cotton-like rolls were seen sailing rapidly, and in "beautiful order and regularly," just over the tops of the adjacent hills. An hour later, after they had passed out of sight, in the deep valley beneath, thousands and thousands of (apparently) human beings came into view, marching rapidly - "double quick" - 30 or 40 in depth, in the same direction as the rolls, and began to ascend the almost insurmountable hills opposite. They had the stoop peculiar to men ascending a steep mountain. Great variety in sizes. Some were very large whilst others were quite small. Their arms, legs and heads could be distinctly seen in motion. They wore white blouses and white trousers. They carried neither guns nor swords. They passed over the road and out of sight in a direction due north of the many onlookers. ("The Civil War in Song and Story; by Frank Moore, P.F. Collier, 1889.)

The mystery lights of Brown Mountain are not unique. Such a phenomenon has been noted sailing along the highway at Ringold, near Pasco, Washington, often causing motorists to drive into ditches, and vanishing when approached. A similar light is often seen sailing around a ranch at McDermitt, Nevada, reddish in color and terrifying the horses. The ghost-light near Joplin, Miss, seen sailing over and along a country road, most every night, retreats when approached. A "washtub size" light is often seen rolling over the dunes into the sea, on Sable Island, Nova Scotia. The "Min-Min Ghost," a light the size of the full moon, is often seen sailing over the tree tops in Australia. Northern Rhodesia has a story similar to that of Brown Mountain. A retired lady school teacher was supposedly murdered upon

a farm rich in hidden gold. To this day, a brilliant, red light is seen, about nine feet off the ground, "dancing" and soaring at great speed and sometimes breaking into two separate lights. I hope to venture into Brown Mountain, one night, and see these lights for myself. Anyone having any information concerning them might be kind enough to write me, I would appreciate it.

JOHN P. BESSOR.

ZELIENOPLE, Pa.

Oakland, California   June 20, 1950 U P

The Oakland Tribune said a "disd-shaped object" roaring at an estimated speed of 1000 to 1500 miles an hour made five passes near Hamilton Air Force base today.

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June 29, 1950:

Hubert Hutt, postoffice worker at Fort Collins, Colorado, saw an object in the sky at 9;40 a.m. which appeared simultaneously with an airliner at about 3,000 feet elevation. It was about 4500 feet, travelling northwest, resembling a selver snowball circled by some kind af a ring and extremely maneuverable.

July 29, 1950

Jim Graham, chief pilot for Capital Aviation Co of Springfield, Ill., reported his plane struck by a mysterious object resembling a blue streak with a tail of reddish flame. No sound, did not damage his plane. Four other Springfield res dents reported that they had seen a mysterious streak in the sky.